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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

**THREE MORE INDICTED IN DAYCARE CENTER'S SCAM OF  
FEDERAL PROGRAMS**

**PRESS RELEASE**

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that ANITA P. WADE, 51, TIFFANY M. JONES, 32, and GERTRUDE JOHNSON, 58, all of Indianapolis, Indiana, were indicted by a federal grand jury sitting in Indianapolis for making false statements, following an investigation by the United States Department of Agriculture, Office of Inspector General, Internal Revenue Service, Criminal Investigation Division, and the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration.

The indictment alleges that on or about May 6, 2003, ANITA P. WADE did knowingly and willfully make a materially false statement to a special agent of the United States Department of Agriculture, Office of Inspector General, in that WADE stated that A

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Rainbow House Day Care Developmental Education & Career Center, Inc. did not create false documents or file false claims regarding The Child and Adult Care Food Program prior to the year 2000, which statement was false and which statement WADE then well knew was false.

The indictment further alleges that on or about the May 12, 2003, TIFFANY M. JONES did knowingly and willfully make a materially false statement to a special agent of the United States Department of Agriculture, Office of Inspector General, in that JONES stated that A Rainbow House Day Care Developmental Education & Career Center, Inc. did not create false documents or file false claims regarding The Child Care Development Fund Voucher Program between the year 2001 and the year 2003, which statement was false and which statement JONES then well knew was false.

The indictment further alleges that on or about the June 2, 2003, GERTRUDE C. JOHNSON did knowingly and willfully make a materially false statement to a special agent of the United States Department of Agriculture, Office of Inspector General and to a special agent of the Internal Revenue Service, Criminal Investigation Division, in that JOHNSON stated that A Rainbow House Day Care Developmental Education & Career Center, Inc. did not create false documents or file false claims regarding The Title XX Social Service Block Grant Program between the year 1999 and the year 2002, which statement was false and which statement JOHNSON then well knew was false.

According to Assistant United States Attorney James M. Warden, who is prosecuting the case for the government, WADE, JONES, and JOHNSON each face a maximum possible

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prison sentence of up to 5 years and a maximum possible fine of \$250,000. An initial hearing will be scheduled before a U.S. Magistrate Judge in Indianapolis.

**The indictment is an allegation only, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty at trial or by guilty plea.**

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